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The Survey Health Status and Functioning file includes data about the sample person's health including height and weight, self-assessments of vision and hearing, history of medical conditions, functioning, among others.

From 1991 through 1996, this file contained one record for each person who completed an interview whether in the community or facility. This changed in 1997 when the facility instrument was converted to a Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing format. Since then, this file contains data from community interviews only; RIC 2F contains similar data from facility interviews.

RIC	1	2					C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1					C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT				C Unique SP Identification Number
				14,701			LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
GENHELTH	12	2	GENHFMT		HFA1		N General hlth compare to others same age
				48			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				2,163			1 Excellent
				3,871			2 Very good
				4,576			3 Good
				2,731			4 Fair
				1,291			5 Poor
COMPHLTH	14	2	COMPFMT		HFA2		N Health compared to one year ago
				11			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				601			1 Much better
				1,609			2 Somewhat better
				9,123			3 About the same
				2,876			4 Somewhat worse
				461			5 Much worse

Note: First available in 1996

HELMTACT	16	2	TIMEFMT		HFA3		N Hlth limits social activity in past mo
				14			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				8,909			1 None of the time
				3,375			2 Some of the time
				1,478			3 Most of the time
				905			4 All of the time
ECHHELP	18	2	BLNDFMT		HFB1		N SP wear eyeglasses/contact lenses
				80			. Missing
				2			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				12,542			1 Yes
				1,997			2 No
				77			3 Blind

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ECTROUB	20	2	LOOK2FMT		HFB2		N Description of SP vision
				162			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				24			-8 Don't know
				10,064			1 No trouble seeing
				3,451			2 A little trouble seeing
				951			3 A lot of trouble seeing
				48			4 No usable vision
							Note: Applies only if ECHELP = 1 or 2
EINTROUB	22	2	LOOKFMT		HFB3		N Difficulty reading Rx instructions/label
				10,174			. Inapplicable
				29			-8 Don't know
				2,415			1 No trouble
				1,339			2 A little trouble
				744			3 A lot of trouble
							Notes: Applies only if ECTROUB = 2, 3, or 4
							First available in 2002
EMCTROUB	24	2	LOOKFMT		HFB4		N Difficulty finding out about Medicare
				10,174			. Inapplicable
				41			-8 Don't know
				3,035			1 No trouble
				936			2 A little trouble
				515			3 A lot of trouble
							Notes: Applies only if ECTROUB = 2, 3, or 4
							First available in 2002
EOBTROUB	26	2	LOOKFMT		HFB5		N Difficulty getting medical care
				10,174			. Inapplicable
				17			-8 Don't know
				3,453			1 No trouble
				720			2 A little trouble
				337			3 A lot of trouble
							Notes: Applies only if ECTROUB = 2, 3, or 4
							First available in 2002
EDOCEXAM	28	2	YES2FMT		HFB6		N SP had eye exam w/ eye doctor n past yr
				80			. Missing
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				84			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				8,720			1 Yes
				5,812			2 No
							Note: First available in 2002

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EDOCLAST	30	2	LASTFMT	HFB7			N How long since last exam by eye doctor
				8,889			. Inapplicable
				101			-8 Don't know
				129			1 Never had an eye exam
				2,581			2 1 year to less than 2 years
				1,937			3 2 years to less than 5 years
				1,064			4 5 years or more
							Notes: Applies only if EDOCEXAM = 2
							First available in 2002
ECCATOP	32	2	YES1FMT	HFB10			N SP ever had operation for cataracts
				7			. Inapplicable
				24			-8 Don't know
				4,324			1 Yes
				10,346			2 No
							Note: Applies to new panel SPs who are not blind; in 2002, asked of blind also
HCHELP	34	2	DEAFFMT	HFC1			N Does SP use hearing aid
				80			. Missing
				2			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				1,543			1 Yes
				13,045			2 No
				28			3 Deaf
HCTROUB	36	2	DEAF2FMT	HFC2			N Description of SP hearing
				113			. Missing
				9			-8 Don't know
				9,689			1 No trouble hearing
				4,008			2 A little trouble hearing
				856			3 A lot of trouble hearing
				26			4 Deaf
							Note: Applies only if HCHELP = 1 or 2
HCKNOWMC	38	2	LOOKFMT	HFC3			N How diff to find Medicare info due to he
				9,783			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				22			-8 Don't know
				3,799			1 No trouble
				857			2 A little trouble
				238			3 A lot of trouble
							Notes: Applies only if HCHELP = 3 or HCTROUB = 2, 3, or 4
							First available in 2002

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HCCOMDOC	40	2	LOOKFMT			HFC4	N Trouble communicating with Dr. due to he
				9,783			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				11			-8 Don't know
				3,786			1 No trouble
				911			2 A little trouble
				208			3 A lot of trouble
Notes: Applies only if HCHELP = 3 or HCTROUB = 2, 3, or 4							
First available in 2002							
FOODTRBL	42	2	LOOKFMT			HFD1A	N SP has difficulty eating solid foods
				9,942			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				3,816			1 No trouble
				743			2 A little trouble
				197			3 A lot of trouble
Note: First available in 2005							
HEIGHTFT	44	2	HEITFMT			HFE1	N Height of SP--feet
				80			. Missing
				36			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				14,584			Height in feet
HEIGHTIN	46	2	INCHFMT			HFE1	N Height of SP--inches
				80			. Missing
				87			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				14,533			0-11 Inch portion of height
WEIGHT	48	3	WEITFMT			HFE2	N Weight of SP in pounds
				80			. Missing
				296			-8 Don't know
				121			-7 Refused
				0			0-50 0-50 Pounds
				300			51-100 51-100 Pounds
				4,976			101-150 101-150 Pounds
				6,428			151-200 151-200 Pounds
				2,027			201-250 201-250 Pounds
				381			251-300 251-300 Pounds
				60			301-350 301-350 Pounds
				21			351-400 351-400 Pounds
				11			Over 400 Pounds

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BPTAKEN	51	2	BPTAKE		HFF1		N Most recent time SP's blood pressure tak
				80			. Inapplicable
				66			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				12,752			1 Less than 6 months ago
				1,074			2 6 months to 1 year ago
				396			3 1 year to less than 2 years ago
				194			4 2 years to less than 5 years ago
				120			5 5 or more years ago
				15			6 Never had blood pressure taken

Note: First available in 2001

BCTAKEN	53	2	BPTAKE		HFF2		N Last time SP's blood cholesterol taken
				80			. Inapplicable
				654			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				9,086			1 Less than 6 months ago
				2,760			2 6 months to 1 year ago
				962			3 1 year to less than 2 years ago
				426			4 2 years to less than 5 years ago
				254			5 5 or more years ago
				475			6 Never had blood pressure taken

Note: First available in 2001

MAMMOGRM	55	2	YES1FMT		HFF3		N Had mammogram/breast X-ray in last yr
				6,625			. Inapplicable
				74			-8 Don't know
				7			-7 Refused
				3,881			1 Yes
				4,114			2 No

Note: Inapplicable if SP is male

PAPSMEAR	57	2	YES1FMT		HFF6		N SP had Pap smear in last year
				6,625			. Inapplicable
				103			-8 Don't know
				8			-7 Refused
				2,680			1 Yes
				5,285			2 No

Note: Inapplicable if SP is male

HYSTEREC	59	2	YES1FMT		HFF9		N SP ever had hysterectomy
				7,555			. Inapplicable
				28			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				2,569			1 Yes
				4,544			2 No

Note: Applies to females in supplemental sample or where PAPNHYST = 2

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PROSSURG	61	2	YES1FMT		HFF10		N Had prostate surgery in last year?
				8,766			. Inapplicable
				12			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				366			1 Yes
				5,552			2 No
Notes: Applies to male SPs who never reported having prostate surgery First available in 2002							
DIGTEXAM	63	2	YES1FMT		HFF11		N SP had digital rectal prostate exam
				8,076			. Inapplicable
				129			-8 Don't know
				7			-7 Refused
				2,809			1 Yes
				3,680			2 No
Notes: Applies to male SPs who never reported having prostate surgery First available in 1998							
BLOODTST	65	2	YES1FMT		HFF12		N SP had blood test for prostate cancer
				8,076			. Inapplicable
				348			-8 Don't know
				6			-7 Refused
				4,180			1 Yes
				2,091			2 No
Notes: Applies to male SPs who never reported having prostate surgery First available in 1998							
FLUSHOT	67	2	YES2FMT		HFF15		N SP have flu shot for last winter
				94			-8 Don't know
				13			-7 Refused
				8,998			1 Yes
				5,596			2 No

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FLUSITE	69	2	SITEFMT		HFF19		N Where last flu shot was administered
				5,703			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				40			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,139			1 Doctor's office/Group Practice
				804			2 Doctor's clinic
				303			3 Managed care plan center/HMO
				272			4 Neighborhood/Family health center
				4			5 Freestanding surgical clinic
				356			6 Rural health clinic
				23			7 Company clinic
				153			8 Other clinic
				25			9 Walk-in urgent center
				29			10 Hospital emergency room
				408			11 Hospital outpatient dept/Clinic
				400			12 V.A. facility
				176			13 Health fair
				775			14 Shopping mall/other store
				432			15 Senior center
				140			16 SP's home
				162			17 Church/school
				16			18 Library
				151			28 Health Department
				27			29 Place of work
				161			91 Other

Notes: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 1
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PNEUSHOT	71	2	YES2FMT		HFF22		N SP ever have shot for pneumonia?
				211			-8 Don't know
				9,608			1 Yes
				4,882			2 No
EVERSMOK	73	2	YES2FMT		HFG1		N SP ever smoked cigarettes/cigars/tobacco
				8,439			1 Yes
				6,262			2 No
SMOKNOW	75	2	YES6FMT		HFG2		N Does SP smoke now?
				6,262			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				10			-7 Refused
				2,107			1 Yes
				6,319			2 No
				0			3 No, but originally Yes
				0			4 Yes, but originally No

Note: Inapplicable if EVERSMOK = 2

DIFSTOOP	77	2	DIF2FMT		HFH1		N Difficulty stooping/crouching/kneeling
				6			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				3,943			1 No Difficulty
				2,977			2 Little Difficulty
				2,764			3 Some Difficulty
				2,928			4 Lot of Difficulty
				2,061			5 Unable to do it

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DIFLIFT	79	2	DIF2FMT			HFH2	N Difficulty lifting/carrying 10 pounds
				20			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				8,433			1 No Difficulty
				1,839			2 Little Difficulty
				1,456			3 Some Difficulty
				1,284			4 Lot of Difficulty
				1,648			5 Unable to do it
DIFREACH	81	2	DIF2FMT			HFH3	N Difficulty extending arms above shoulder
				13			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				10,109			1 No Difficulty
				1,623			2 Little Difficulty
				1,359			3 Some Difficulty
				962			4 Lot of Difficulty
				614			5 Unable to do it
DIFWRITE	83	2	DIF2FMT			HFH4	N Difficulty writing/handling object
				7			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				10,334			1 No Difficulty
				1,965			2 Little Difficulty
				1,313			3 Some Difficulty
				819			4 Lot of Difficulty
				241			5 Unable to do it
DIFWALK	85	2	DIF2FMT			HFH5	N Difficulty walking 1/4 mile or 2-3 blocks
				33			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				7,020			1 No Difficulty
				1,633			2 Little Difficulty
				1,584			3 Some Difficulty
				1,583			4 Lot of Difficulty
				2,828			5 Unable to do it
OCARTERY	87	2	YES2FMT			HFJ1	N Ever told had hardening of arteries
				35			-8 Don't know
				1,341			1 Yes
				13,325			2 No
OCHBP	89	2	YES6FMT			HFJ2	N Ever told had hypertension/hi blood pres
				11			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				9,011			1 Yes
				5,649			2 No
				29			3 No, but originally Yes
				0			4 Yes, but originally No

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D_HBP	91	2	YES6FMT		HFJ3		N Had high blood pressure since year ago?
				39			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				7,203			1 Yes
				7,400			2 No
				39			3 No, but originally Yes
				0			4 Yes, but originally No
Note: First available in 2001							
HYPETOLD	93	2	YES2FMT		HFT1		N SP told 2 or more times had hi blood pre
				6,485			. Missing
				44			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				7,283			1 Yes
				888			2 No
Note: First available in 2005							
OCMYOCAR	95	2	YES2FMT		HFJ4		N Ever told had myocard infarct/hrt attack
				15			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,038			1 Yes
				12,647			2 No
D_MYOCAR	97	2	YES1FMT		HFJ5		N Had myocardial infarc. since year ago?
				31			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				310			1 Yes
				14,339			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCCHD	99	2	YES2FMT		HFJ6		N Ever told had angina pectoris/CHD
				29			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,686			1 Yes
				12,985			2 No
D_CHD	101	2	YES1FMT		HFJ7		N Had coronary heart dis. since year ago?
				54			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				515			1 Yes
				14,111			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCOTHRT	103	2	YES2FMT		HFJ14		N Ever told had other heart conditions
				15			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				1,459			1 Yes
				13,225			2 No

Notes: See OCOTHART for similar data in 1991-1999
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D_OTHHRT	105	2	YES1FMT		HFJ15		N Had other heart cond. since year ago?
				33			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				376			1 Yes
				14,271			2 No
				Note: First available in 2001			
OCCFAIL	107	2	YES2FMT		HFJ8		N Ever told had heart failure
				16			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,092			1 Yes
				13,592			2 No
				Note: First available in 2003			
D_CFAIL	109	2	YES1FMT		HFJ9		N Had hart failure since year ago?
				36			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				359			1 Yes
				14,285			2 No
				Note: First available in 2001			
OCCVALVE	111	2	YES2FMT		HFJ10		N Ever told had problems with valves
				32			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,374			1 Yes
				13,294			2 No
				Note: First available in 2003			
D_VALVE	113	2	YES1FMT		HFJ11		N Had prbs with valves since year ago?
				66			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				384			1 Yes
				14,230			2 No
				Note: First available in 2001			
OCRHYTHM	115	2	YES2FMT		HFJ12		N Ever told had prbs w/ heart rhythm
				27			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,944			1 Yes
				11,729			2 No
				Note: First available in 2003			
D_RHYTHM	117	2	YES1FMT		HFJ13		N Had prbs w/ heart rhythm since year ago?
				54			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				1,077			1 Yes
				13,549			2 No
				Note: First available in 2001			

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OCSTROKE	119	2	YES2FMT		HFJ16		N Ever told had stroke/brain hemorrhage
				9			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,749			1 Yes
				12,942			2 No
D_STROKE	121	2	YES1FMT		HFJ17		N Had stroke/brain hemmor. since yr ago?
				27			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				349			1 Yes
				14,305			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCCSKIN	123	2	YES2FMT		HFJ18		N Ever told had skin cancer
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,716			1 Yes
				11,981			2 No
D_CSKIN	125	2	YES1FMT		HFJ19		N Had skin cancer since year ago?
				16			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				858			1 Yes
				13,808			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCCANCER	127	2	YES2FMT		HFJ20		N Ever told had other (non-skin) cancer
				6			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,566			1 Yes
				12,128			2 No
D_CANCER	129	2	YES1FMT		HFJ21		N Had any cancer since year ago?
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				16			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				519			1 Yes
				14,145			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCCLUNG	131	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer--lung
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				132			1 Yes
				2,431			2 No

Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1

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OCCCOLON	133	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body prt w/cancer--colon/bowel/rectum
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				337			1 Yes
				2,226			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCBREST	135	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer--breast
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				637			1 Yes
				1,926			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCUTER	137	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer--uterus
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				217			1 Yes
				2,346			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCPROST	139	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer--prostate
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				575			1 Yes
				1,988			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCBLAD	141	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer--bladder
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				124			1 Yes
				2,439			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCOVARY	143	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer--ovary
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				98			1 Yes
				2,465			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			

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OCCSTOM	145	2	YES1FMT	HFJ22			N Body part w/cancer--stomach
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				69			1 Yes
				2,494			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCCERVX	147	2	YES1FMT	HFJ22			N Body part w/cancer--cervix
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				80			1 Yes
				2,483			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCKIDNY	149	2	YES1FMT	HFJ22			N Body part w/cancer--kidney
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				71			1 Yes
				2,492			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCBRAIN	151	2	YES1FMT	HFJ22			N Body part w/cancer--brain
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				43			1 Yes
				2,520			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCTHROA	153	2	YES1FMT	HFJ22			N Body part w/cancer--throat
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				86			1 Yes
				2,477			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCBACK	155	2	YES1FMT	HFJ22			N Body part w/cancer--back
				12,135			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				31			1 Yes
				2,532			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			

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Notes: Applies if SP was ever told he/she had diabetes (OCBETES = 1).
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OCDVISIT	167	2	YES1FMT		HFJ41C		N Was SP told on 1+ visits they had diabet
				11,655			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				6			-8 Don't know
				2,710			1 Yes
				329			2 No

Notes: Applies if SP was ever told he/she had diabetes (OCBETES = 1).
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OCARTHRH	169	2	YES2FMT		HFJ24		N Ever told had rheumatoid arthritis
				27			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,665			1 Yes
				13,008			2 No

OCARTH	171	2	YES2FMT		HFJ25		N Ever told had non-rheumatoid arthritis
				33			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				8,087			1 Yes
				6,580			2 No

D_ARTHRD	173	2	YES1FMT		HFJ26		N Had non-rheumatoid arth since year ago?
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				53			-8 Don't know
				11			-7 Refused
				7,558			1 Yes
				7,077			2 No

Note: First available in 2001

OCMENTAL	175	2	YES2FMT		HFJ28		N Ever told had mental retardation
				7			. Missing
				17			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				406			1 Yes
				14,270			2 No

OCALZHR	177	2	YES2FMT		HFJ29		N Ever told had Alzheimer's/dementia
				7			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				548			1 Yes
				14,145			2 No

OCDEPRSS	179	2	YES2FMT		HF30A		N Ever told you had depression
				43			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				2,978			1 Yes
				11,660			2 No

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D_DEPRSS	181	2	YES1FMT				N Had depression since year ago?
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				59			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				2,002			1 Yes
				12,619			2 No

OCPSYCHO	183	2	YES2FMT		HF30A		N Ever told had mental disorder
				32			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				875			1 Yes
				13,773			2 No

Note: First available in 2005

D_PSYCHO	185	2	YES1FMT				N Had mental disorder since year ago?
				5			-9 Not ascertained
				38			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				655			1 Yes
				13,981			2 No

OCOSTEOP	187	2	YES2FMT		HFJ32		N Ever told had osteoporosis/soft bones
				29			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,874			1 Yes
				11,796			2 No

OCBRKHIP	189	2	YES2FMT		HFJ33		N Ever told had broken hip
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				580			1 Yes
				14,117			2 No

D_BRKHIP	191	2	YES1FMT		HFJ34		N Had broken hip since year ago?
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				8			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				126			1 Yes
				14,546			2 No

Note: First available in 2001

OCPARKIN	193	2	YES2FMT		HFJ35		N Ever told had Parkinson's disease
				4			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				191			1 Yes
				14,504			2 No

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OCEMPHYS	195	2	YES2FMT		HFJ36		N Ever told had emphysema/asthma/COPD
				9			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,412			1 Yes
				12,278			2 No
OCPPARAL	197	2	YES2FMT		HFJ37		N Ever told had complete/partial paralysis
				7			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				652			1 Yes
				14,040			2 No
D_PPARAL	199	2	YES1FMT		HFJ38		N Had paralysis since year ago?
				12			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				239			1 Yes
				14,429			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCAMPUTE	201	2	YES2FMT		HFJ39		N Ever lost an arm or leg
				1			-8 Don't know
				179			1 Yes
				14,521			2 No
HAVEPROS	203	2	YES1FMT		HFJ40		N SP ever been told: Enlarged prostate/BPH
				8,076			. Inapplicable
				27			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,184			1 Yes
				4,413			2 No
Notes: Inapplicable if SP is female First available in 1999							
D_PROST	205	2	YES1FMT		HFJ41		N Had prostate probs since year ago?
				8,076			. Inapplicable
				70			-8 Don't know
				8			-7 Refused
				1,135			1 Yes
				5,412			2 No

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EMCAUSC1	207	2	CAUSFMT		HFJ43		N 1st cause of Medicare eligibility
				12,061			. Inapplicable
				17			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				256			1 Back/spine/disc
				62			2 Severe eyesight loss
				31			3 Severe hearing loss
				57			4 Kidney/renal failure
				52			5 Seizure disorder
				46			6 Car/bike/train accident
				39			7 Multiple sclerosis
				10			8 Muscular dystrophy
				24			9 Cerebral palsy
				20			10 Broken bones
				12			11 Hardening of the arteries
				97			12 High blood pressure
				58			13 Myocardial infarction
				31			14 Angina pectoris
				9			15 Other heart condition
				93			16 Stroke
				3			17 New occurrence of skin cancer
				52			18 Cancer or tumor
				24			19 Diabetes
				81			20 Rheumatoid arthritis
				111			21 Other arthritis
				278			22 Mental retardation
				4			23 Alzheimer's disease
				342			24 Mental disorder
				10			25 Osteoporosis
				17			26 Broken hip
				7			27 Parkinson's disease
				51			28 Emphysema or asthma
				68			29 Partial paralysis
				15			30 Loss of limb
				13			31 Cong heart failure
				5			32 Probs w/ hrt valves
				23			33 Heartbeat rhythm
				85			34 Mental disorder, depression (eff. 05)
				109			35 Mental disorder, non-depression (eff. 05)
				0			65 Gained entitlement at 65
				426			91 Other

Note: Applies if SP is under age 65 at the time of the initial MCBS interview

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EMCAUSC2	209	2	CAUSFMT		HFJ43		N 2nd cause of Medicare eligibility
				13,622			. Inapplicable
				14			1 Back/spine/disc
				1			2 Severe eyesight loss
				2			3 Severe hearing loss
				1			4 Kidney/renal failure
				3			5 Seizure disorder
				5			6 Car/bike/train accident
				1			7 Multiple sclerosis
				0			8 Muscular dystrophy
				1			9 Cerebral palsy
				2			10 Broken bones
				0			11 Hardening of the arteries
				4			12 High blood pressure
				7			13 Myocardial infarction
				15			14 Angina pectoris
				7			15 Other heart condition
				70			16 Stroke
				2			17 New occurrence of skin cancer
				32			18 Cancer or tumor
				31			19 Diabetes
				70			20 Rheumatoid arthritis
				98			21 Other arthritis
				197			22 Mental retardation
				4			23 Alzheimer's disease
				347			24 Mental disorder
				8			25 Osteoporosis
				5			26 Broken hip
				4			27 Parkinson's disease
				32			28 Emphysema or asthma
				48			29 Partial paralysis
				11			30 Loss of limb
				15			31 Cong heart failure
				2			32 Probs w/ hrt valves
				0			33 Heartbeat rhythm
				0			34 Mental disorder, depression (eff. 05)
				0			35 Mental disorder, non-depression (eff. 05)
				0			65 Gained entitlement at 65
				40			91 Other

Note: Applies only if SP has more than one cause for Medicare eligibility

PRBTELE	211	2	ADL2FMT		HFk1a		N Any difficulty using telephone
				18			-7 Refused
				1,040			1 Yes
				13,415			2 No
				228			3 Doesn't Do
PRBLHWK	213	2	ADL2FMT		HFk1b		N Any difficulty doing light housework
				18			-7 Refused
				1,449			1 Yes
				12,122			2 No
				1,112			3 Doesn't Do

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PRBHHWK	215	2	ADL2FMT		HFK1c		N Any difficulty doing heavy housework
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				7			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				3,498			1 Yes
				8,404			2 No
				2,773			3 Doesn't Do
PRBMEAL	217	2	ADL2FMT		HFK1d		N Any difficulty preparing meals
				1			-8 Don't know
				17			-7 Refused
				1,202			1 Yes
				12,221			2 No
				1,260			3 Doesn't Do
PRBSHOP	219	2	ADL2FMT		HFK1e		N Any difficulty shopping
				3			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				1,802			1 Yes
				11,867			2 No
				1,011			3 Doesn't Do
PRBBILS	221	2	ADL2FMT		HFK1f		N Any difficulty with managing money
				4			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				1,016			1 Yes
				12,695			2 No
				967			3 Doesn't Do
DONTTELE	223	2	YES1FMT		HFK2a		N Don't use telephone b/c health prob
				14,473			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				177			1 Yes
				50			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBTELE = 3				
DONTLHWK	225	2	YES1FMT		HFK2b		N Don't do light housewrk b/c health prob
				13,589			. Inapplicable
				692			1 Yes
				420			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBLHWK = 3				
DONTHHWK	227	2	YES1FMT		HFK2c		N Don't do heavy housewrk b/c health prob
				11,928			. Inapplicable
				1,742			1 Yes
				1,031			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBHHWK = 3				

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DONTMEAL	229	2	YES1FMT	HFK2d		N Don't prepare meals b/c health prob
					13,441	. Inapplicable
					617	1 Yes
					643	2 No
						Note: Applies only if PRBMEAL = 3
DONTSHOP	231	2	YES1FMT	HFK2e		N Don't do shopping b/c health prob
					13,690	. Inapplicable
					771	1 Yes
					240	2 No
						Note: Applies only if PRBSHOP = 3
DONTBILS	233	2	YES1FMT	HFK2f		N Don't manage money b/c health prob
					13,734	. Inapplicable
					3	-8 Don't know
					606	1 Yes
					358	2 No
						Note: Applies only if PRBBILS = 3
HELPTLE	235	2	YES1FMT	HFK3a		N Receive help w/ telephone
					13,484	. Inapplicable
					700	1 Yes
					517	2 No
						Note: Applies only if PRBTELE = 1 or DONTTELE = 1
HELPLHWK	237	2	YES1FMT	HFK3b		N Receive help w/ light housework
					12,560	. Inapplicable
					2	-8 Don't know
					1,787	1 Yes
					352	2 No
						Note: Applies only if PRBLHWK = 1 or DONTLHWK = 1
HELPHHWK	239	2	YES1FMT	HFK3c		N Receive help w/ heavy housework
					9,460	. Inapplicable
					2	-8 Don't know
					1	-7 Refused
					4,110	1 Yes
					1,128	2 No
						Note: Applies only if PRBHHWK = 1 or DONTTHWK = 1
HELPMEAL	241	2	YES1FMT	HFK3d		N Receive help w/ preparing meals
					12,882	. Inapplicable
					2	-8 Don't know
					1,538	1 Yes
					279	2 No
						Note: Applies only if PRBMEAL = 1 or DONTMEAL = 1

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HELPSHOP	243	2	YES1FMT		HFK3e		N Receive help w/ shopping
				12,128			. Inapplicable
				2,259			1 Yes
				314			2 No
Note: Applies only if PRBSHOP = 1 or DONTSHOP = 1							
HELPBILS	245	2	YES1FMT		HFK3f		N Receive help w/ managing money
				13,079			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				1,457			1 Yes
				163			2 No
Note: Applies only if PRBBILS = 1 or DONTBILS = 1							
HPPDBATH	247	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1a		N Any difficulty bathing/showering
				4			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				1,701			1 Yes
				12,916			2 No
				61			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDDRES	249	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1b		N Any difficulty dressing
				2			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				1,201			1 Yes
				13,441			2 No
				38			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDEAT	251	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1c		N Any difficulty eating
				19			-7 Refused
				379			1 Yes
				14,290			2 No
				13			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDCHAR	253	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1d		N Any difficulty get in/out of bed/chair
				19			-7 Refused
				2,112			1 Yes
				12,516			2 No
				54			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDWALK	255	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1e		N Any difficulty walking
				18			-7 Refused
				3,787			1 Yes
				10,670			2 No
				226			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDTOIL	257	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1f		N Any difficulty using the toilet
				19			-7 Refused
				822			1 Yes
				13,820			2 No
				40			3 Doesn't Do

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DONTBATH	259	2	YES1FMT		HFL2a		N Don't bathe/shower b/c health prob
				14,640			. Inapplicable
				57			1 Yes
				4			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 3 First available in 1992			
DONTDRES	261	2	YES1FMT		HFL2b		N Don't dress b/c health prob
				14,663			. Inapplicable
				36			1 Yes
				2			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 3 First available in 1992			
DONTEAT	263	2	YES1FMT		HFL2c		N Don't eat b/c health prob
				14,688			. Inapplicable
				13			1 Yes
				0			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 3 First available in 1992			
DONTCHAR	265	2	YES1FMT		HFL2d		N Don't get in/out bed/chair b/c hlth prob
				14,647			. Inapplicable
				54			1 Yes
				0			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 3 First available in 1992			
DONTWALK	267	2	YES1FMT		HFL2e		N Don't walk b/c health prob
				14,475			. Inapplicable
				221			1 Yes
				5			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDWALK = 3 First available in 1992			
DONTTOIL	269	2	YES1FMT		HFL2f		N Don't use toilet b/c health prob
				14,661			. Inapplicable
				40			1 Yes
				0			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDTOIL = 3 First available in 1992			
HELPBATH	271	2	YES1FMT		HFL3a		N Receive help w/ bathing/showering
				12,943			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1,030			1 Yes
				727			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 1 or DONTBATH = 1			

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HELPDRES	273	2	YES1FMT		HFL3b		N Receive help w/ dressing
				13,464			. Inapplicable
				825			1 Yes
				412			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 1 or DONTDRES = 1			
HELPEAT	275	2	YES1FMT		HFL3c		N Receive help w/ eating
				14,309			. Inapplicable
				177			1 Yes
				215			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 1 or DONTTEAT = 1			
HELPCHAR	277	2	YES1FMT		HFL3d		N Receive help w/ get in/out of bed/chair
				12,535			. Inapplicable
				667			1 Yes
				1,499			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 1 or DONTCHAR = 1			
HELPWALK	279	2	YES1FMT		HFL3e		N Receive help w/ walking
				10,693			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				740			1 Yes
				3,267			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDWALK = 1 or DONTWALK = 1			
HELPTOIL	281	2	YES1FMT		HFL3f		N Receive help w/ using toilet
				13,839			. Inapplicable
				337			1 Yes
				525			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDTOIL = 1 or DONTTOIL = 1			
PCHKBATH	283	2	YES1FMT		HFL4a		N Person nearby while bathing/showering
				13,974			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				146			1 Yes
				580			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPBATH = 2			
PCHKDRES	285	2	YES1FMT		HFL4b		N Person nearby while dressing
				14,289			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				74			1 Yes
				337			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPDPRES = 2			

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PCHKPEAT	287	2	YES1FMT		HFL4c		N Person nearby while eating
				14,486			. Inapplicable
				41			1 Yes
				174			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPEAT = 2			
PCHKCHAR	289	2	YES1FMT		HFL4d		N Person nearby when get in/out bed/chair
				13,202			. Inapplicable
				163			1 Yes
				1,336			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPCCHAR = 2			
PCHKWALK	291	2	YES1FMT		HFL4e		N Person nearby while walking
				11,434			. Inapplicable
				381			1 Yes
				2,886			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPWALK = 2			
PCHKTOIL	293	2	YES1FMT		HFL4f		N Person nearby while using toilet
				14,176			. Inapplicable
				80			1 Yes
				445			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPTOIL = 2			
EQIPBATH	295	2	YES1FMT		HFL5a		N Use equipment to help bathe/shower
				12,943			. Inapplicable
				965			1 Yes
				793			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 1 or DONTBATH = 1			
EQIPDRES	297	2	YES1FMT		HFL5b		N Use equipment to help dress
				13,464			. Inapplicable
				182			1 Yes
				1,055			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 1 or DONTDRES = 1			
EQUIPEAT	299	2	YES1FMT		HFL5c		N Use equipment to help eat
				14,309			. Inapplicable
				53			1 Yes
				339			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 1 or DONTEAT = 1			

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EQIPCHAR	301	2	YES1FMT		HFL5d		N Use equipment to get in/out bed/chair
				12,535			. Inapplicable
				911			1 Yes
				1,255			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 1 or DONTCHAR = 1			
EQIPWALK	303	2	YES1FMT		HFL5e		N Use equipment to help walk
				10,693			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				2,387			1 Yes
				1,619			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDWALK = 1 or DONTWALK = 1			
EQIPTOIL	305	2	YES1FMT		HFL5f		N Use equipment to help use toilet
				13,839			. Inapplicable
				541			1 Yes
				321			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDTOIL = 1 or DONTTOIL = 1			
LONGBATH	307	2	LONGFMT		HFL6a		N How long needed help to bathe/shower
				13,671			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				93			1 Less than 3 months
				193			2 3 months to 1 year
				742			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPBATH = 1 First available in 1996			
LONGDRES	309	2	LONGFMT		HFL6b		N How long needed help to dress
				13,876			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				92			1 Less than 3 months
				157			2 3 months to 1 year
				574			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPDRES = 1 First available in 1996			
LONGEAT	311	2	LONGFMT		HFL6c		N How long needed help to eat
				14,524			. Inapplicable
				20			1 Less than 3 months
				32			2 3 months to 1 year
				125			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPEAT = 1 First available in 1996			

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LONGCHAR	313	2	LONGFMT		HFL6d		N How long need help get in/out bed/chair
				14,034			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				64			1 Less than 3 months
				112			2 3 months to 1 year
				489			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPCCHAR = 1			
				First available in 1996			
LONGWALK	315	2	LONGFMT		HFL6e		N How long needed help to walk
				13,961			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				89			1 Less than 3 months
				120			2 3 months to 1 year
				527			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPWALK = 1			
				First available in 1996			
LONGTOIL	317	2	LONGFMT		HFL6f		N How long needed help to use toilet
				14,364			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				31			1 Less than 3 months
				54			2 3 months to 1 year
				251			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPTOIL = 1			
				First available in 1996			
STILBATH	319	2	YES1FMT		HFL7a		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ bathe/shower
				14,608			. Inapplicable
				11			-8 Don't know
				57			1 Yes
				25			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if LONGBATH = 1			
				First available in 1996			
STILDRES	321	2	YES1FMT		HFL7b		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ dressing
				14,609			. Inapplicable
				6			-8 Don't know
				56			1 Yes
				30			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if LONGDRES = 1			
				First available in 1996			
STILEAT	323	2	YES1FMT		HFL7c		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ eating
				14,681			. Inapplicable
				18			1 Yes
				2			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if LONGEAT = 1			
				First available in 1996			

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STILCHAR	325	2	YES1FMT		HFL7d		N Need help 3 mos w/ get in/out bed/chair
				14,637			. Inapplicable
				6			-8 Don't know
				45			1 Yes
				13			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if LONGCHAR = 1 First available in 1996				
STILWALK	327	2	YES1FMT		HFL7e		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ walking
				14,612			. Inapplicable
				8			-8 Don't know
				61			1 Yes
				20			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if LONGWALK = 1 First available in 1996				
STILTOIL	329	2	YES1FMT		HFL7f		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ using toilet
				14,670			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				23			1 Yes
				6			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if LONGTOIL = 1 First available in 1996				
D_ADLHNM	331	2	HELPRFMT				N Number of ADL helpers
				6,976			. Inapplicable
				6,008			1 1 helper
				1,261			2 2 helpers
				328			3 3 helpers
				81			4 4 helpers
				47			5 or more helpers
			Note: Applies only if SP has at least one ADL or IADL				
MEMLOSS	333	2	YES2FMT		HFN1		N Memory loss interfere w/ daily activity
				27			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				1,935			1 Yes
				12,717			2 No
			Note: First available in 1996				
PROBDECS	335	2	YES2FMT		HFN2		N Problem make decisions interferes w/ADLs
				33			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				1,493			1 Yes
				13,154			2 No
			Note: First available in 1996				

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Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1
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FALLPREV	349	2	YES1FMT		HFM6		N Did hlth prof give info to avoid falls
				13,001			. Inapplicable
				18			-8 Don't know
				1,109			1 Yes
				573			2 No

Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1 & FALLTALK does not equal 2
First available in 2002

FALLREAS	351	2	YES1FMT		HFM5		N Did hlth prof try to understand why fell
				13,001			. Inapplicable
				21			-8 Don't know
				1,304			1 Yes
				375			2 No

Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1 & FALLTALK does not equal 2
First available in 2002

FALLTALK	353	2	YES1FMT		HFM4		N Talked to professional about falls
				11,070			. Inapplicable
				11			-8 Don't know
				1,700			1 Yes
				1,920			2 No

Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1
First available in 2002

FALLTIME	355	2	FALLFMT		HFM2		N Number of times fallen
				11,070			. Inapplicable
				85			-8 Don't know
				1,728			1 SP fell once
				807			2 SP fell twice
				410			3 SP fell three times
				184			4 SP fell four times
				121			5 SP fell five times
				283			6-94 SP fell 6 - 94 times
				13			95 SP fell 95 or more times

Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1
First available in 2002